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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

- 2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert Bergstrom (Reg No. 39,906) on November 4, 2008.
- 3. The specification and claims have been amended in accordance with attachment Amendment fax received on November 5, 2008.

Reasons for Allowance

- 4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest the claimed invention. Specifically, the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest a customized execution environment as explicitly defined in paragraph [0038] of the specification.
- 5. The prior art of record, Toda teaches a method of partitioning hardware resources between a first operating system unit and a second operating system unit. However, Toda fails to teach the independent claims as recited which partitions hardware resources to be managed exclusively by one or more of customized execution environments because the operating system

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units of Toda is not a customized execution environment which is explicitly defined in paragraph [0038] of the specification.

6. Any comment considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jue S. Wang whose telephone number is (571) 270-1655. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 7:30 am - 5:00pm (EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lewis Bullock can be reached on 571-272-3759. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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